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For: THERAPEUTIC AGENT AND THERAPEUTIC
METHOD FOR PERIODONTAL DISEASES
AND PULPAL DISEASES

Examiner: C. M. Borgeest

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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April 18, 2011

Sir:

Applicants' representative conducted a telephonic Interview with the Examiner on March 31, 2011. The Interview discussion centered on the Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment issued in the above-mentioned application. Applicants thank the Examiner for taking time to participate in the Interview.

Applicants' representative telephoned the Examiner to point out that the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) transmittal specifically had box (1)(a) checked as well as box (1)(a)(ii) stating "Applicants specifically request entry of the Response filed July, 2010" and also had box (1)(b) checked and boxes (1)(b)(i)-(iv). In particular box (1)(b)(iv) stated "Applicants submission of an amendment filed with RCE assumes entry of the Response and Claims filed July 6, 2010." The Examiner acknowledged her error in not entering the amendment of July 6, 2010, as well as the amendment filed with the RCE and stated that she would rescind the Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment previously issued.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Susan W. Gorman, Ph.D, Reg. No. 47,604 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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